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In re Patent Application of:
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For: PURIFIED SUBFRAGMENT CODIFYING
FOR NEUROAMINIDASE, RECOMBINANT
NEUROAMINIDASE AND ITS USE IN
ZOOPROPHYLAXIS

Examiner: M. Hill

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Dear Madam:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This response accompanies a Request for Continued Examination. Amendments and remarks presented by this amendment are responsive to the Final Office Action dated February 17, 2009 (Paper No.20090207), for which a response was due on May 17, 2009. Filed herewith is a Petition and fee for a two month extension of time, thereby extending the deadline for response to July 17, 2009. Accordingly, this response is timely filed. Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims, as amended, in light of the remarks presented herein are respectfully requested.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.